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Section 15
International drug control
(Programme 13 of the medium-term plan for the period 1998-2001)

Overview

15.1 The programme is implemented by the United Nations International Drug Control Programme, which was established pursuant to General Assembly resolution 45/179 of 21 December 1990. Under the guidance of its Executive Director, the Programme implements a broad range of drug control activities worldwide and is entrusted with the leadership and coordination of drug control efforts throughout the United Nations system.

15.2 The Programme has normative functions stemming from the international drug control treaties. These include the provision of secretariat services to the International Narcotics Control Board and to the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, as well as initiatives aimed at promoting adherence to the related conventions and the inclusion of their provisions in national legislation and their effective implementation. Both the conventions and the Commission assign to the Programme responsibility for collecting and analysing data and information on a number of drug control issues, the results of which are made available to Member States, taking advantage of advances in electronic data processing and communications.

15.3 The Programme also acts as a catalyst and supports Member States in enhancing the impact of their drug control efforts through more effective cooperation and coordination. The Programme supports national drug control policy formulation, planning and coordination, including the preparation of national drug control strategies and plans. Given the transnational nature of the drug problem, the importance of cooperation between countries is widely recognized. The Programme actively promotes subregional cooperation arrangements aimed at identifying and addressing specific drug control problems of common concern. Opportunities for cooperation on the regional and global levels are also identified and fostered.

15.4 As part of its efforts in support of Governments, the Programme functions as a repository of expertise on issues such as precursor controls, the establishment of standards for chemical analysis and quality control, anti-money-laundering measures, drug control legislation, alternative development and certain aspects of drug abuse prevention. The Programme undertakes the systematic processing and dissemination of research results and new methodologies.

15.5 The Fund of the Programme, established by the General Assembly as from 1 January 1992, provides extrabudgetary support for the operational activities of the Programme, concentrating on technical cooperation at the national, subregional, regional and global levels. The Commission on Narcotic Drugs, the principal international policy-making body on drug control issues, is authorized by the General Assembly to approve, on the basis of the Executive Director's proposals and taking into account the comments of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, both the Fund's programme and the administrative and programme support cost budgets, other than expenditures borne by the regular budget of the United Nations.

15.6 The existence within the Programme of both normative functions and operational technical cooperation activities permits a synergy of action. The network of field offices, financed through extrabudgetary resources primarily to facilitate technical cooperation, also contributes in a major way to the dialogue with Governments in furtherance of their normative obligations. Similarly, the existence of technical expertise that supports the normative work provides a valuable underpinning for the technical cooperation activities.

15.7 Further synergies are realized from the growing commitment to drug control in the broader United Nations system. Under the leadership of the Programme and through the active work of the Subcommittee on Drug Control of the Administrative Committee on Coordination, a revised and updated United Nations System-wide Action Plan on Drug Abuse Control was submitted to the Economic and Social Council and the General Assembly in 1994, marking an important step in integrating the drug abuse issue into the action agendas of all relevant agencies of the system.

15.8 The Programme will support preparations for the special session of the General Assembly on international drug control to be held in June 1998, which is expected to constitute a new platform for collective action by the international community and help to set the agenda for international drug control for the following decade.

15.9 The overall level of resources proposed for the programme amounts to $16,203,300. This amount represents the combined effect of the proposed abolition of one Professional and four General Service (Other level) posts, the application of the new standardized vacancy rates and a range of adjustments in other objects of expenditure.

15.10 The estimated percentage distribution of resources under this section would be as follows:

		Regular budget	*Extra-budgetary*
		(percentage)	
A.	Policy-making organs	5.6	0.1
B.	Executive direction and management	11.8	1.0
C.	Programme of work	82.6	95.4
D.	Programme support	—	3.5
	Total	**100.0**	**100.0**

Table 15.1 **Summary of requirements by component**

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Component		*1994-1995 expenditures*	*1996-1997 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1998-1999 estimates*
				Amount	*Percentage*			
A.	Policy-making organs	915.3	943.3	(34.3)	(3.6)	909.0	15.7	924.7
B.	Executive direction and management	1 656.6	2 380.9	(468.1)	(19.6)	1 912.8	19.8	1 932.6
C.	Programme of work	12 228.9	12 870.8	510.7	3.8	13 381.5	133.2	13 514.7
	Total	**14 800.8**	**16 195.0**	**8.3**	**—**	**16 203.3**	**168.7**	**16 372.0**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1994-1995 expenditures	1996-1997 estimates	Source of funds	1998-1999 estimates
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
5 111.6	5 609.1	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	5 770.6
		(b) Substantive activities	
		Fund of the United Nations International	
25 497.9	26 513.6	Drug Control Programme	29 342.6
		(c) Operational projects	
		Fund of the United Nations International	
107 745.0	109 112.4	Drug Control Programme	127 184.8
Total	**138 354.5**	**141 235.1**	**162 298.0**
Total (1) and (2)	**153 155.3**	**157 430.1**	**178 670.0**

Table 15.2 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	1994-1995 expenditures	1996-1997 appropriations	Resource growth		Total before recosting	Recosting	1998-1999 estimates
			Amount	Percentage			
Posts	12 386.1	12 770.3	144.6	1.1	12 914.9	113.2	13 028.1
Other staff costs	247.7	945.4	(499.9)	(52.8)	445.5	7.4	452.9
Non-staff compensation	84.4	86.0	—	—	86.0	—	86.0
Consultants and experts	452.5	542.7	124.3	22.9	667.0	11.2	678.2
Travel	1 067.2	1 139.3	(4.6)	(0.4)	1 134.7	21.0	1 155.7
Contractual services	349.3	364.5	86.6	23.7	451.1	7.7	458.8
General operating expenses	25.3	62.7	113.5	181.0	176.2	2.8	179.0
Hospitality	1.4	3.1	—	—	3.1	—	3.1
Supplies and materials	154.3	176.2	(22.8)	(12.9)	153.4	2.6	156.0
Furniture and equipment	32.6	104.8	66.6	63.5	171.4	2.8	174.2
Total	**14 800.8**	**16 195.0**	**8.3**	**—**	**16 203.3**	**168.7**	**16 372.0**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1994-1995 expenditures	1996-1997 estimates	Object of expenditure	1998-1999 estimates
49 531.4	48 652.0	Posts	54 871.3
164.6	305.4	Other staff costs	158.5
3 672.8	5 438.0	Consultants and experts	6 234.6
5 383.6	4 619.2	Travel	5 239.0
20 262.7	25 080.7	Contractual services	29 244.5
7 353.2	6 928.3	General operating expenses	8 123.9
4 139.2	4 229.4	Supplies and materials	5 098.8
29 225.6	16 221.1	Furniture and equipment	18 535.5
1 169.5	2 082.1	Alteration and improvement of premises	2 558.8
12 491.7	20 301.1	Grants and contributions	22 115.7
4 960.2	7 377.8	Other expenditure	10 117.4
Total	**138 354.5**	**141 235.1**	**162 298.0**
Total (1) and (2)	**153 155.3**	**157 430.1**	**178 670.0**

Table 15.3 **Post requirements**

Programme: International drug control

	Established posts		*Temporary posts*					
	Regular budget		*Regular budget*		*Extrabudgetary resources*		*Total*	
	1996-1997	*1998-1999*	*1996-1997*	*1998-1999*	*1996-1997*	*1998-1999*	*1996-1997*	*1998-1999*
Professional category and above								
USG	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
D-2	1	1	—	—	3	3	4	4
D-1	2	2	—	—	10	10	12	12
P-5	6	6	—	—	30	30	36	36
P-4/3	26	25	—	—	45	45	71	70
P-2/1	9	9	—	—	27	7	36	16
Total	**45**	**44**	**—**	**—**	**115**	**95**	**160**	**139**
General Service category								
Principal level	3	3	—	—	22	22	25	25
Other levels	25	21	—	—	120	120	145	141
Total	**28**	**24**	**—**	**—**	**142**	**142**	**170**	**166**
Grand total	**73**	**68**	**—**	**—**	**257**	**237**	**330**	**305**

A. Policy-making organs

15.11 There are two policy-making organs of the United Nations concerned with international drug control: the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, established in 1946 as a functional commission of the Economic and Social Council, and the International Narcotics Control Board, an independent technical body, established by the 1961 Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs to limit the cultivation, production, manufacture and utilization of drugs to medical and scientific purposes while at the same time ensuring their sufficient availability for those purposes. The secretariat of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme provides substantive services to both organs.

15.12 The 53-member Commission on Narcotic Drugs holds regular annual sessions at Vienna as well as a biennial resumed session devoted to administrative and budgetary matters. The Commission has established subsidiary bodies to coordinate the mechanisms for drug law enforcement at the regional level. These include the Subcommission on Illicit Drug Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East and the regional meetings of the operational heads of national drug law enforcement agencies for Asia and the Pacific, for Africa, for Europe and for Latin America and the Caribbean. Their meetings also bring together observers from regional intergovernmental organizations active in support of drug law enforcement.

15.13 The International Narcotics Control Board is a treaty body consisting of 13 members, 3 elected from among candidates proposed by WHO and 10 from among candidates proposed by Governments. It holds two mandatory sessions a year and may decide to meet more often as required. When not in session, the Board depends on its secretariat to carry out its functions.

Table 15.4 **Summary of requirements by programme**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Programme	1994-1995 expenditures	1996-1997 appropriations	Resource growth		Total before recosting	Recosting	1998-1999 estimates
			Amount	Percentage			
Commission on Narcotic Drugs	355.5	353.5	—	—	353.5	8.0	361.5
International Narcotics Control Board	559.8	589.8	(34.3)	(5.8)	555.5	7.7	563.2
Total	**915.3**	**943.3**	**(34.3)**	**(3.6)**	**909.0**	**15.7**	**924.7**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1994-1995 expenditures	1996-1997 estimates	Source of funds	1998-1999 estimates
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
47.3	81.6	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	100.4
—	—	(b) Substantive activities	—
—	—	(c) Operational projects	—
Total	**47.3**	**81.6**	**100.4**
Total (1) and (2)	**962.6**	**1 024.9**	**1 025.1**

Table 15.5 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	1994-1995 expenditures	1996-1997 appropriations	Resource growth		Total before recosting	Recosting	1998-1999 estimates
			Amount	Percentage			
Non-staff compensation	84.4	86.0	—	—	86.0	—	86.0
Travel	830.9	857.3	(34.3)	(4.0)	823.0	15.7	838.7
Total	**915.3**	**943.3**	**(34.3)**	**(3.6)**	**909.0**	**15.7**	**924.7**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1994-1995 expenditures	1996-1997 estimates	Source of funds	1998-1999 estimates
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
47.3	81.6	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	100.4
—	—	(b) Substantive activities	—
—	—	(c) Operational projects	—
Total	**47.3**	**81.6**	**100.4**
Total (1) and (2)	**962.6**	**1 024.9**	**1 025.1**

Resource requirements (at current rates)

Non-staff compensation

15.14 The proposed amount of $86,000, maintained at the 1996-1997 level, relates to the emoluments paid to the members of the Board in accordance with General Assembly resolution 35/218 of 17 December 1980 ($5,000 to the Chairman, $4,000 to the 2 Vice-Chairpersons and $3,000 to the other 10 members annually).

Travel

15.15 The estimated requirements of $823,000, which are based on actual expenditures, relate to the travel costs for (a) representatives from 53 Member States, the President of the Board and the Chairman of the Subcommission to attend the annual sessions of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs and one resumed session of the Commission to be held every second year of the biennium in order to discuss and approve the programme budget of the Fund of the Programme; (b) 20 representatives to the two annual meetings of the Subcommission; (c) two meetings of the Board each year; and (d) the conduct of local inquiries in accordance with article 14 of the 1961 Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, as amended by the 1972 Protocol.

B. Executive direction and management

15.16 The Executive Director is responsible for coordinating and providing effective leadership for all United Nations drug control activities, to ensure coherence of actions within the Programme and coordination, complementarity and non-duplication of such activities across the United Nations system. In that capacity, the Executive Director participates in the work of the Administrative Committee on Coordination.

15.17 In addition, the Office of the Executive Director is responsible for developing strategies to implement policies decided by the General Assembly, the Economic and Social Council and the Commission on Narcotic Drugs in the field of drug control, for the formulation of and changes in the programme of work and for high-level meetings with government representatives, with particular emphasis on resource mobilization.

Table 15.6 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	*1994-1995 expenditures*	*1996-1997 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1998-1999 estimates*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
Posts	1 617.7	1 379.6	(35.9)	(2.6)	1 343.7	10.2	1 353.9
Other staff costs[a]	—	945.4	(499.9)	(52.8)	445.5	7.4	452.9
Consultants and experts	—	—	47.7	—	47.7	0.8	48.5
Travel	37.5	52.8	20.0	37.8	72.8	1.4	74.2
Hospitality	1.4	3.1	—	—	3.1	—	3.1
Total	**1 656.6**	**2 380.9**	**(468.1)**	**(19.6)**	**1 912.8**	**19.8**	**1 932.6**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1994-1995 expenditures	1996-1997 estimates	Source of funds	1998-1999 estimates
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
—	—	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	—
1 572.4	1 449.6	(b) Substantive activities	1 648.3
—	—	(c) Operational projects	—
1 572.4	**1 449.6**	**Total**	**1 648.3**
3 229.0	**3 830.5**	**Total (1) and (2)**	**3 580.9**

[a] Resources for general temporary assistance and overtime are now centrally allocated under executive direction and management; in previous bienniums, these were included within the programme of work.

Table 15.7 **Post requirements**

Programme: Executive direction and management

	Established posts		Temporary posts					
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources		Total	
	1996-1997	1998-1999	1996-1997	1998-1999	1996-1997	1998-1999	1996-1997	1998-1999
Professional category and above								
USG	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
P-5	1	1	—	—	1	1	2	2
P-4/3	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
P-2/1	1	1	—	—	2	—	3	1
Total	**4**	**4**	**—**	**—**	**3**	**1**	**7**	**5**
General Service category								
Principal level	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
Other levels	2	1	—	—	3	3	5	4
Total	**3**	**2**	**—**	**—**	**3**	**3**	**6**	**5**
Grand total	**7**	**6**	**—**	**—**	**6**	**4**	**13**	**10**

Activities

15.18 During the biennium the following activities will be undertaken:

(a) *Servicing of intergovernmental/expert bodies (RB/XB)*

(i) Substantive servicing of meetings. Prepare for and participate in the high-level segment of the Economic and Social Council; prepare for the special session of the General Assembly on drug control to be held in June 1998; and provide secretariat services to approximately 20 meetings per year of the Management Committee and 50 meetings per year of the Project Review Committee;

(ii) Parliamentary documentation:

a. Commission on Narcotic Drugs. Two annual reports of the Executive Director and one report on the Fund budget and related documentation;

b. Economic and Social Council. One report on the regular budget and related documentation;

(b) *Other substantive activities (RB/XB)*. Oversee the implementation by the Programme of policy decisions and resolutions in respect of drug control adopted by the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, the Economic and Social Council, the General Assembly and other relevant bodies; provide executive direction and management and, as required, adopt policies and strategies to deliver the programme of work of the Programme; and coordinate the preparation of the yearly work plan, the yearly evaluation plan and monitor and report on their implementation;

(c) *International cooperation and inter-agency coordination and liaison (RB/XB)*

(i) Participation in meetings and deliberations of the Administrative Committee on Coordination; preparation of and participation in the deliberations of the Inter-Agency Working Group on Evaluation; and participation in and contribution to the Subcommittee on Drug Control of the Administrative Committee on Coordination;

(ii) Through the Liaison Office in New York, take follow-up actions with other United Nations agencies based in New York with regard to inter-agency and intergovernmental conferences and events in North America and disseminate information for North America-based non-governmental and private sector organizations to promote public information activities.

Resource requirements (at current rates)

Posts

15.19 Staff costs in the amount of $1,343,700 relate to four posts in the Professional category and above and two General Service posts, as shown in table 15.7. They reflect the proposed abolition of one General Service post made possible as a result of improved methods of work. The reduction of $35,900 represents the combined effect of the abolition of that post and the application of the new standardized vacancy rates.

Other staff costs

15.20 The reduced requirements of $445,500 would include the following: (a) $410,500 for (i) temporary assistance for the preparatory work of the special session of the General Assembly to be held in June 1998; (ii) carrying out the recurrent activities as approved by the Economic and Social Council in its resolutions 1996/29, on action to strengthen international cooperation to control precursors and their substitutes used in the illicit manufacture of controlled substances, in particular amphetamine-type stimulants, and to prevent their diversion, and 1996/30, on measures to combat diversion of psychotropic substances and to establish effective control over operations carried out by intermediaries in international trade of psychotropic substances; and (iii) the replacement of staff on extended sick leave or maternity leave and assistance during periods of peak workload; commencing in the biennium 1998-1999, the general temporary assistance resource for the entire programme would be allocated centrally under executive direction and management in order to optimize the usage of those resources, since staffing control is centrally monitored by this office; and (b) $35,000 for overtime, which will be maintained at minimal levels, utilizing the compensatory time-off policy whenever possible; resources for overtime are also being centrally allocated under executive direction and management.

Consultants and experts

15.21 An amount of $47,700 is proposed for services of consultants with specialized expertise to develop policies and principles of alternative development and to provide other technical expertise required in the area of planning, management and evaluation, and advice on the development and more efficient use of technology.

Travel

15.22 An estimated provision of $72,800 would be required for the attendance by the Executive Director and his staff at meetings of the regular session of the General Assembly, the Economic and Social Council and other bodies concerned with drug control matters and the special session of the General Assembly on drug control to be held in June 1998. Travel is also foreseen for the Chief of the Planning and Evaluation Section to participate in the Inter-Agency Working Group on Evaluation, one meeting to be held in New York and the other in Geneva, and to participate in the Committee for Programme and Coordination.

Hospitality

15.23 The amount of $3,100, maintained at the 1996-1997 level, is requested for the cost of official functions to be held in conjunction with the sessions of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs and the International Narcotics Control Board.

C. Programme of work

15.24 The estimated percentage distribution of resources among subprogrammes would be as follows:

		Regular budget	*Extra-budgetary*
		(percentage)	
Subprogramme 1.	Coordination and promotion of international drug control	12.5	1.0
Subprogramme 2.	International drug control monitoring and policy-making	62.6	0.2
Subprogramme 3.	Prevention and reduction of drug abuse, elimination of illicit crops and suppression of illicit drug trafficking	24.9	98.8
Total		**100.0**	**100.0**

Table 15.8 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	*1994-1995 expenditures*	*1996-1997 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1998-1999 estimates*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
Posts	10 768.4	11 390.7	180.5	1.5	11 571.2	103.0	11 674.2
Other staff costs[a]	247.7	—	—	—	—	—	—
Consultants and experts	452.5	542.7	76.6	14.1	619.3	10.4	629.7
Travel	198.8	229.2	9.7	4.2	238.9	3.9	242.8
Contractual services	349.3	364.5	86.6	23.7	451.1	7.7	458.8
General operating expenses	25.3	62.7	113.5	181.0	176.2	2.8	179.0
Supplies and materials	154.3	176.2	(22.8)	(12.9)	153.4	2.6	156.0
Furniture and equipment	32.6	104.8	66.6	63.5	171.4	2.8	174.2
Total	**12 228.9**	**12 870.8**	**510.7**	**3.8**	**13 381.5**	**133.2**	**13 514.7**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1994-1995 expenditures	1996-1997 estimates	Source of funds	1998-1999 estimates
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
—	—	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	—
		(b) Substantive activities	
23 878.2	24 982.4	Fund for the United Nations International Drug Control Programme	27 593.9
		(c) Operational projects	
107 745.0	109 112.4	Fund for the United Nations International Drug Control Programme	127 184.8
131 623.2	**134 094.8**	**Total**	**154 778.7**
143 852.1	**146 965.6**	**Total (1) and (2)**	**168 293.4**

[a] Centrally allocated under executive direction and management.

Table 15.9 Post requirements

Programme of work

	Established posts		Temporary posts					
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources		Total	
	1996-1997	1998-1999	1996-1997	1998-1999	1996-1997	1998-1999	1996-1997	1998-1999
Professional category and above								
D-2	1	1	—	—	3	3	4	4
D-1	2	2	—	—	7	7	9	9
P-5	5	5	—	—	28	28	33	33
P-4/3	25	24	—	—	41	41	66	65
P-2/1	8	8	—	—	6	6	14	14
Total	**41**	**40**	**—**	**—**	**85**	**85**	**126**	**125**
General Service category								
Principal level	2	2	—	—	21	21	23	23
Other levels	23	20	—	—	109	109	132	129
Total	**25**	**22**	**—**	**—**	**130**	**130**	**155**	**152**
Grand total	**66**	**62**	**—**	**—**	**215**	**215**	**281**	**277**

Subprogramme 1
Coordination and promotion of international drug control

Table 15.10 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	*1994-1995 expenditures*[a]	*1996-1997 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1998-1999 estimates*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
Posts	—	1 609.5	(81.6)	(5.0)	1 527.9	26.1	1 554.0
Travel	—	17.4	—	—	17.4	0.4	17.8
Contractual services	—	88.6	25.8	29.1	114.4	2.0	116.4
Total	**—**	**1 715.5**	**(55.8)**	**(3.2)**	**1 659.7**	**28.5**	**1 688.2**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1994-1995 expenditures	*1996-1997 estimates*	*Source of funds*	*1998-1999 estimates*
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
—	—	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	—
		(b) Substantive activities	
855.1	1 346.0	Fund for the United Nations International Drug Control Programme	1 485.2
—	—	(c) Operational projects	—
855.1	**1 346.0**	**Total**	**1 485.2**
855.1[a]	**3 061.5**	**Total (1) and (2)**	**3 173.4**

[a] Total 1994-1995 expenditures of the regular budget for programme of work by object of expenditure, which were previously recorded in one account, are shown in table 15.12; it is not possible to redistribute these 1994-1995 expenditures accurately in accordance with the new structure of the medium-term plan for the period 1998-2001 (A/51/6/Rev.1 and Rev.1/Corr.1).

Table 15.11 **Post requirements**

Programme: Coordination and promotion of international drug control

	Established posts		*Temporary posts*					
	Regular budget		*Regular budget*		*Extrabudgetary resources*		*Total*	
	1996-1997	*1998-1999*	*1996-1997*	*1998-1999*	*1996-1997*	*1998-1999*	*1996-1997*	*1998-1999*
Professional category and above								
D-1	—	—	—	—	2	2	2	2
P-5	2	2	—	—	—	—	2	2
P-4/3	3	3	—	—	1	1	4	4
P-2/1	2	2	—	—	1	1	3	3
Total	7	7	—	—	4	4	11	11
General Service category								
Principal level	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	1
Other levels	1	—	—	—	2	2	3	2
Total	1	—	—	—	3	3	4	3
Grand total	8	7	—	—	7	7	15	14

15.25 The objective of this subprogramme is to foster cooperation among Member States, specialized agencies and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations so as to ensure greater unity of purpose and the coordination and non-duplication of activities in the field of drug control. It will also seek to increase awareness among decision makers, the general public and organizations of the problems of drug abuse and to mobilize human and financial resources for relevant activities implemented both through technical cooperation projects of the Programme and with their own resources.

15.26 In pursuit of these goals, the Resource Mobilization and Inter-Agency Coordination Service of the Division for Operations and External Relations will (a) act as the focal point within the Programme for liaison with Governments and relevant organizations; (b) seek to raise awareness of the negative effects of drug abuse and successful countermeasures; (c) encourage the development of programmes utilizing community resources for the prevention of drug abuse; (d) promote cooperation between the Programme and other intergovernmental organizations; (e) provide leadership for agencies in the United Nations system for the further development of the United Nations System-wide Action Plan on Drug Abuse Control; (f) provide secretariat services to the Subcommittee on Drug Control of the Administrative Committee on Coordination; and (g) act as principal focal point for resource mobilization activities, ensuring in particular a widening of the voluntary resource base, which represents 90 per cent of the total budget of the Programme.

15.27 Under the subprogramme efforts will also be made to enhance subregional cooperation in drug control by fostering dialogue, assisting countries to identify shared goals and approaches and brokering formal agreements between States such as memoranda of understanding. It will also seek to improve national capacities to coordinate drug control activities and to implement comprehensive, balanced drug control policies and strategies through the development of national drug control master plans.

Activities

15.28 During the biennium the following activities will be undertaken:

(a) * *Servicing of intergovernmental/expert bodies (RB/XB)*

(i) Substantive servicing of meetings. Two meetings of the Subcommittee on Drug Control of the Administrative Committee on Coordination;

(ii) Parliamentary documentation

a. Commission on Narcotic Drugs. Biennial report on the status of the United Nations System-wide Action Plan on Drug Abuse Control; and two reports on the status of national drug control master plans as part of the Executive Director's report on the activities of the programme;

b. Subcommittee on Drug Control of the Administrative Committee on Coordination. Background documentation for two meetings.

(b) *Other substantive activities (RB/XB)*

(i) Recurrent publications. Eight issues of *UNDCP Information Letter* (quarterly); one update on *The United Nations and Drug Control*; UNDCP leaflet (XB); one non-governmental organization directory; and one update of the film/video catalogue;

(ii) Electronic, audio and video issuances. Maintain photographic, slide and film/video lending library of the programme; and prepare and distribute a catalogue of available video films;

(iii) Booklets, information material. Five booklets, posters and other promotional material;

(iv) Exhibits, special events and lectures. Coordinate observance of International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Drug Trafficking; undertake two special events to mobilize civil society, including awareness-raising and resource mobilization initiatives in collaboration with civil society partners such as employer and employee organizations, and the entertainment and sporting worlds, with the assistance of staff funded from extrabudgetary resources; monitor and report on activities carried out within the context of the Decade Against Drug Abuse (1991-2000); prepare for the Third Private Sector Conference on Drug Abuse Prevention in the Workplace and negotiate cost-sharing arrangements with business corporations; and brief and lecture on the functioning of the Programme and the provision, on request, of information on drug abuse control;

(v) Technical materials. Maintain a database of non-governmental and intergovernmental organizations active in drug control and a database on the status of master plan formulation and implementation worldwide;

(c) *International cooperation and inter-agency coordination and liaison (RB/XB)*

(i) Act as focal point for the Programme's relations with non-governmental organizations (NGOs) by maintaining links with NGO umbrella organizations, supplying them with relevant information, encouraging networking and monitoring and reporting on the implementation of a small grants scheme to support NGO activities funded by an NGO donor; participate in eight meetings of the Vienna NGO Committee;

(ii) Function as the principal focal point with Governments for all aspects of fund-raising and for the development of new resource mobilization initiatives with the support of staff funded from extrabudgetary resources; and coordinate all arrangements for UNDCP fund-raising contacts and follow up on initiatives aimed at broadening the resource base of the Programme; negotiate and conclude funding agreements with donor Governments in support of specific operational and technical programmes; prepare and disseminate to donors twice-yearly reports on the use of their voluntary contributions, in accordance with funding agreements; and provide secretariat services and background documentation for twice-yearly meetings of representatives of donor countries with support from extrabudgetary staff;

(iii) Function as the principal point of contact with other entities of the United Nations system and maintain a list of focal points for drug control issues in the United Nations system; maintain liaison with the secretariat of the Administrative Committee on Coordination and its subsidiary bodies; and participate in relevant inter-agency meetings of the United Nations system and in 12 meetings of the Administrative Committee on Coordination machinery and four meetings of the Joint Consultative Group on Programmes;

(d) *Technical cooperation (RB/XB).* Disseminate guidelines and other reference materials for use by Governments in the preparation of master plans; provide comments and advice on master plans to about 30 Governments and assistance to about 6 Governments in the formulation of master plans and identification of international partners to assist in their implementation; and provide 75 grants implemented through NGO small grants scheme.

Resource requirements (at current rates)

Posts

15.29 The estimated resource requirements of $1,527,900 would provide for seven Professional posts and reflect the proposed abolition of one General Service post, as shown in table 15.11. Requirements for all General Service posts will be provided by extrabudgetary resources. The reduction of $81,600 represents the combined effect of the abolition of the General Service post and the application of the new standardized vacancy rates.

Travel

15.30 It is proposed to maintain estimated resource requirements for travel at $17,400 to enable staff to attend two meetings per year relating to the work of the Administrative Committee on Coordination machinery and yearly meetings of the United Nations Non-Governmental Liaison Service and the Joint United Nations Information Committee.

Contractual services

15.31 Resources totalling $114,400 would be required for the external printing and binding of three publications.

Subprogramme 2
International drug control monitoring and policy-making

Table 15.12 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	*1994-1995 expenditures*	*1996-1997 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1998-1999 estimates*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
Posts	10 768.4	7 183.8	303.5	4.2	7 487.3	58.7	7 546.0
Other staff costs	247.7	—	—	—	—	—	—
Consultants and experts	452.5	327.0	126.2	38.5	453.2	7.5	460.7
Travel	198.8	143.0	23.1	16.1	166.1	2.7	168.8
Contractual services	349.3	233.9	49.6	21.2	283.5	4.7	288.2
General operating expenses	25.3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Supplies and materials	154.3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Furniture and equipment	32.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	**12 228.9**	**7 887.7**	**502.4**	**6.3**	**8 390.1**	**73.6**	**8 463.7**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1994-1995 expenditures	*1996-1997 estimates*	*Source of funds*	*1998-1999 estimates*
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
—	—	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	—
		(b) Substantive activities	
255.3	219.8	Fund for the United Nations International Drug Control Programme	239.3
—	—	(c) Operational projects	—
255.3	**219.8**		**239.3**
12 484.2	**8 107.5**		**8 703.0**

Table 15.13 **Post requirements**

Programme: International drug control monitoring and policy-making

	Established posts		*Temporary posts*					
	Regular budget		*Regular budget*		*Extrabudgetary resources*		*Total*	
	1996-1997	*1998-1999*	*1996-1997*	*1998-1999*	*1996-1997*	*1998-1999*	*1996-1997*	*1998-1999*
Professional category and above								
D-2	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
D-1	2	2	—	—	1	1	3	3
P-5	2	2	—	—	—	—	2	2
P-4/3	16	15	—	—	1	1	17	16
P-2/1	5	5	—	—	—	—	5	5
Total	**26**	**25**	**—**	**—**	**2**	**2**	**28**	**27**
General Service category								
Principal level	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
Other levels	16	15	—	—	2	2	18	17
Total	**17**	**16**	**—**	**—**	**2**	**2**	**19**	**18**
Grand total	**43**	**41**	**—**	**—**	**4**	**4**	**47**	**45**

15.32 The activities pertaining to this subprogramme are covered under two organizational settings.

A. Secretariat of the International Narcotics Control Board

15.33 The secretariat of the International Narcotics Control Board implements activities that aim at achieving effective support for the Board in carrying out its treaty-mandated functions under the 1961 Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances and the 1988 United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances and related resolutions of intergovernmental bodies to monitor compliance of Governments with provisions of the international drug control treaties. The Board will be provided with complete and reliable information, including statistical data on the nature, pattern and trends in the licit and illicit cultivation, production, manufacture, trade, distribution and use of drugs and measures Governments are taking in order to comply with respective treaty provisions. The secretariat, on behalf of the Board, will maintain a dialogue with Governments on their treaty compliance and will ensure wide dissemination of the Board's findings and annual reports to gain the necessary political support for treaty implementation.

15.34 Activities will also aim at establishing, maintaining and strengthening, if necessary, national and international controls over licit supplies of narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances and their precursors; ensuring adequate availability of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances for medical, scientific and other licit purposes, while preventing diversion to illicit channels. Precursors will be monitored in order to enable Governments, in cooperation with the International Narcotics Control Board to prevent their use in the illicit manufacture of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances and to investigate such illicit activities. Chemicals will be identified and assessed for possible scheduling or rescheduling under the 1988 Convention.

Activities

15.35 During the biennium the following activities will be undertaken:

(a) *Servicing of intergovernmental/expert bodies (RB/XB)*

(i) Substantive servicing of meetings. Provide substantive and secretariat services to two annual sessions of the International Narcotics Control Board, and four meetings of its Standing Committee on Estimates;

(ii) Parliamentary documentation

a. Economic and Social Council. Annual reports of the International Narcotics Control Board;

b. International Narcotics Control Board. Technical publications on narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances and precursors and supplements such as estimates of narcotic drugs, as well as any other reports the Board may decide to publish; reports and documentation on the functioning of the international control over the licit supply of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances and on the monitoring of precursors, including the estimates system for narcotic drugs, the assessment system of annual legitimate requirements for psychotropic substances and documentation on substances that may require scheduling or rescheduling under the 1988 Convention; and analysis of data to identify new developments in illicit drug manufacture, evaluate chemicals (precursors) and convene Board expert group meetings or other consultations to advise the Board on whether to initiate amendments of Tables I and II of the 1988 Convention;

(iii) Expert Group Meeting. Two ad hoc expert group meetings to advise the Board with respect to criteria for implementation of article 12 of the 1988 Convention; and one expert group meeting on the development of international judicial cooperation among Member States to enhance the implementation of article 9 of that Convention;

(b) *Other substantive activities (RB/XB)*

(i) Recurrent publications. Two issues of *Narcotic drugs: estimated world requirements for 1999 and 2000* and *Statistics for 1997 and 1998*; 48 issues of its *Supplement*; 2 issues on psychotropic substance statistics for 1997 and 1998 (assessment of medical and scientific requirements for substances in Schedule II, requirements for import authorizations for substances in Schedules III and IV); 2 reports of the Board in accordance with article 15 of the 1961 Convention and article 18 of the 1971 Convention; and 2 reports of the Board for 1998 and 1999 on the implementation of Article 12 of the 1988 Convention;

(ii) Press releases and conferences. Maintain liaison with United Nations information centres, participate in press conferences, respond to requests of media and prepare speeches and interventions of members of the Board at international meetings, including the Commission on Narcotic Drugs and the Economic and Social Council; and ensure wide dissemination of the Board's findings and reports to decision makers and the general public;

(iii) Technical materials

a. Annual update of the list of narcotic drugs under international control ("yellow list"); and update of forms A, B and C for use by Governments to furnish statistical data and estimates to the Board required under the 1961 Convention;

b. Annual update of the list of psychotropic substances under international control ("green list"); quarterly update of assessments of medical and scientific requirements for substances included in Schedules II, III and IV; update of forms P, A/P and B/P for use by Governments to furnish data required under the 1971 Convention and related Economic and Social Council resolutions; and biannual update of the table reflecting countries' requirements of import authorizations for psychotropic substances in Schedules III and IV;

c. Annual update of the list of substances frequently used in the illicit manufacture of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances under international control ("red list"); and update of

form D used by Governments to furnish data required under article 12 of the 1988 Convention and related Economic and Social Council resolutions;

d. Update of training materials on the control of narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances and precursors;

(iv) Other substantive activities

a. Facilitate submission of information, including statistical data, to the Board by Governments and ensure a smooth flow of data between the Board and Governments, data entry, development and maintenance of databases and presentation for analysis of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances and of databases on 22 scheduled precursors as well as other chemicals for the Board's assessment for possible scheduling and rescheduling and monitoring purposes;

b. Carry out studies and analyse data to identify new developments in the licit supply of and demand for narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances and prepare comparative analyses;

c. Assess the adequacy of estimates of national needs for narcotic drugs, establish annual estimates for approval by the Board for Governments that fail to provide them and evaluate supplementary estimates;

d. Manage an assessment system for psychotropic substances; establish assessments for Governments that fail to provide them; and ensure that exporting countries take assessments into account before authorizing exports;

e. Identify whether import and manufacture limits for narcotic drugs set by the Board have been respected, identify whether assessments for psychotropic substances established by Governments or the Board have been respected; and identify and investigate reasons for data inconsistencies and propose remedial action as appropriate;

f. Determine the legitimacy of international transactions; identify new methods and routes of diversion and cooperate in the investigations of suspicious transactions; and monitor trends and alert and suggest remedial measures to Governments, the Board and relevant international bodies;

g. Gather information from Governments and competent international bodies on control measures and policy developments; inform Governments of measures in other countries and regularly evaluate their appropriateness; and propose additional or alternative measures to Governments, the Board and the Commission;

h. Gather and analyse information to establish and maintain a special international surveillance list of non-scheduled chemicals to prevent use by traffickers;

i. Gather and analyse data on licit manufacture, trade and use patterns of precursors to facilitate identification of suspicious transactions and develop and maintain a database;

j. Consult with and make recommendations to the Board and Governments of producing and manufacturing countries with a view to keeping a balance between supply of and demand for opiates, avoiding proliferation of supply sources and promoting worldwide availability of opiates for medical purposes;

(c) *International cooperation and inter-agency coordination and liaison (RB/XB)*

(i) Two programmes of notification to Governments of estimates for narcotic drugs confirmed by the Board and of requests for amendments or information;

(ii) Two programmes of notification to Governments of assessments of medical and scientific requirements for substances in Schedules II, III and IV and of countries' requirements of import authorizations for substances in Schedules III and IV of the 1971 Convention;

(iii) Two programmes of exchange of information with Governments related to suspicious transactions in narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances and precursors in order to prevent their diversion into illicit channels;

(iv) Communication with Governments on data inconsistencies in order to detect diversion of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances into illicit channels and shortcomings of national control measures for narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances and precursors, including dialogue with Governments to ensure compliance with international and national regulatory controls by manufacturers, wholesale and retail distributors of controlled substances and, in cooperation with WHO, promotion of rational prescribing of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances;

(v) Provision of substantive input for assistance to Governments to ensure adequate national control mechanisms for narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances and precursors;

(vi) Monitoring drug control situations worldwide and identification of gaps in international and national control systems that may require action by the Board; and compiling background information for consideration of these issues by the Board and take follow-up actions on behalf of it;

(vii) Making substantive and organizational preparations to carry out and follow up approximately 35 fact-finding and inspection missions to countries;

(viii) Coordination of the Board's activities and policies with the United Nations Drug Control Programme, WHO and other competent international bodies;

(d) *Technical cooperation (RB/XB)*. Organization and participation in international training activities, workshops and consultations for national drug control administrators.

B. The Secretariat of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs and Legal Affairs Section

15.36 The secretariat of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs and the Legal Affairs Section provide analytical, organizational and administrative support to the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, its subsidiary bodies and intergovernmental conferences dealing with international drug control so as to facilitate their effective functioning. To achieve that objective, the secretariat of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs will (a) organize, service and follow up sessions of the Commission and its subsidiary bodies; (b) assist the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council in the field of drug control, including preparation and coordination of reports; (c) respond to requests contained in decisions of the Commission, the Economic and Social Council and the General Assembly on drug control, including preparations for a special session of the General Assembly on international drug control; (d) reinforce the operational usefulness of the subsidiary bodies of the Commission; (e) process notifications required under the international drug control treaties and those related to the General Assembly, the Economic and Social Council and the Commission; and (f) process the annual reports questionnaires and issue publications required under the international drug control treaties. The Legal Affairs Section acts as the depository of legal information relevant to the Programme; provides requesting States, as well as the International Narcotics Control Board, the Commission on Narcotic Drugs or relevant expert group meetings, with legal advice on the implementation of the international drug control treaties and related matters; and provides legal advice to the Programme, including advice on treaty implementation and technical cooperation activities.

Activities

15.37 During the biennium the following activities will be undertaken:

(a) *Servicing of intergovernmental/expert bodies (RB/XB)*

(i) Substantive servicing of meetings

a. Commission on Narcotic Drugs. 25 plenary meetings and 16 meetings of the Committee of the Whole, including servicing of the reconvened forty-first session of the Commission;

8 meetings of the Extended Bureau of the Commission; 6 informal consultations with permanent missions; and 4 ad hoc inter-sessional consultations;

b. Subsidiary bodies of the Commission. Ninety plenary and working group sessions;

c. International Narcotics Control Board. Provision of legal advice to the Board in its monitoring of the implementation of the drug control treaties and on problem-solving strategies related to non-compliance by parties to the treaties; and contribution to documentation required for the two annual sessions of the Board;

(ii) Parliamentary documentation

a. General Assembly. Annual reports on activities undertaken by the Programme and Governments relating to the implementation of the Global Programme of Action; and one report on action taken to implement the 1988 Convention;

b. Economic and Social Council. Annual reports of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs;

c. Commission on Narcotic Drugs. Annual reports on the meetings of the five subsidiary bodies of the Commission; and four conference room and background papers required for meetings of the Commission and its subsidiary bodies;

(iii) Expert group meetings. Two expert group meetings on implementation of the 1988 Convention; and ad hoc expert group meetings for the substantive preparation of the special session of the General Assembly;

(b) *Other substantive services (RB/XB)*

(i) Promotion of legal instruments

a. Analysis of legal, social, administrative and other data on substances to be reviewed by WHO for possible scheduling by the Commission on Narcotic Drugs and of relevant data on substances used in illicit manufacture of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances to be reviewed by the Board for possible scheduling by the Commission;

b. Issuance of notes verbales as notifications under the international drug control treaties;

c. Collection, analysis and dissemination of drug control laws and regulations adopted to implement the drug control conventions, in particular legislation concerning money-laundering and precursor control;

d. Provision of legal information and advice to States on becoming parties to the treaties and towards their full implementation;

e. Contribution to the development of model laws and agreements;

(ii) Recurrent publications. One commentary on the 1988 Convention; two publications on laws and regulations to give effect to international drug control treaties; two directories of competent national authorities under the international drug control treaties; two directories on manufacturers of narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances and their precursors under international control; and a cumulative index: national laws and regulations promulgated to give effect to international drug control treaties;

(iii) Technical material. Maintenance of a legal database system on treaty adherence and national authorities;

(c) *International cooperation and inter-agency coordination and liaison (RB/XB)*. Provision of legal advice and services relating to memoranda of understanding and working arrangements with the partners of the Programme inside and outside the United Nations system;

(d) *Technical cooperation (XB)*. Legal advice and services for the conclusion of subregional cooperation agreements, the financing of activities, the establishment of field offices, the modalities of project execution and the review of contracts;

Resource requirements (at current rates)

Posts

15.38 The estimated resource requirements of $7,487,300 would provide for 25 Professional and 16 General Service posts, as shown in table 15.13. One P-4 and one General Service post are proposed for abolition as a consequence of an internal reallocation of functions within the Secretariat. The increase of $303,500 represents the combined effect of the abolition of these two posts, the delayed impact of the two P-3 posts established in the biennium 1996-1997 and the application of the new standardized vacancy rates.

Consultants and experts

15.39 The estimated amount of $453,200 includes (a) $249,400 to cover specialized consultancy services not available in the Board secretariat for development of subjects related to the use and control of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, the preparation of background papers for parts of the Board's annual report and the further development of controls over chemicals (the subjects to be determined by the Board during its sessions in 1997 and 1998). This amount also provides for specialized consultancy services for analysis of material on international drug control, the preparation of a background paper on judicial cooperation, the preparation of a study on the extension to other regions of the successful advisory services on maritime cooperation provided to the Asia and Pacific region in 1996-1997, and the preparation of the draft of the revised Global Programme of Action; (b) $203,800 for two expert group meetings to advise the Board with respect to criteria for implementation of article 12 of the 1988 Convention; one expert group meeting on the development of international judicial cooperation among Member States to enhance the implementation of article 9 of the 1988 Convention; and two expert group meetings to formulate recommendations concerning the implementation of the 1988 Convention.

Travel

15.40 An estimated provision of $166,100 would be required for travel of (a) Board secretariat staff members who accompany members on country missions and to sessions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council; (b) the organization and substantive servicing of the meetings of heads of national drug law enforcement agencies for Asia and the Pacific and Latin America and the Caribbean, and of the Subcommission on Illicit Drug Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East; (c) consultations with UNDP or the Office of Legal Affairs of the Secretariat; and (d) the participation of the Deputy Executive Director in the regular sessions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council and in the special session of the General Assembly on drug control to be held in June 1998.

Contractual services

15.41 The sum of $283,500 is proposed for external printing of 11 publications.

Subprogramme 3
Prevention and reduction of drug abuse, elimination of illicit crops and suppression of illicit drug trafficking

Table 15.14 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	*1994-1995 expenditures*[a]	*1996-1997 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1998-1999 estimates*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
Posts	—	2 597.4	(41.4)	(1.5)	2 556.0	18.2	2 574.2
Consultants and experts	—	215.7	(49.6)	(22.9)	166.1	2.9	169.0
Travel	—	68.8	(13.4)	(19.4)	55.4	0.8	56.2
Contractual services	—	42.0	11.2	26.6	53.2	1.0	54.2
General operating expenses	—	62.7	113.5	181.0	176.2	2.8	179.0
Supplies and materials	—	176.2	(22.8)	(12.9)	153.4	2.6	156.0
Furniture and equipment	—	104.8	66.6	63.5	171.4	2.8	174.2
Total	**—**	**3 267.6**	**64.1**	**1.9**	**3 331.7**	**31.1**	**3 362.8**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1994-1995 expenditures	*1996-1997 estimates*	*Source of funds*	*1998-1999 estimates*
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
—	—	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	—
		(b) Substantive activities	
22 767.8	23 416.6	Fund for the United Nations International Drug Control Programme	25 869.4
		(c) Operational projects	
107 745.0	109 112.4	Fund for the United Nations International Drug Control Programme	127 184.8
130 512.8	**132 529.0**	**Total**	**153 054.2**
130 512.8[a]	**135 796.6**	**Total (1) and (2)**	**156 417.0**

[a] Total 1994-1995 expenditures of the regular budget for programme of work by object of expenditure, which were previously recorded in one account, are shown in table 15.12; it is not possible to redistribute these 1994-1995 expenditures accurately in accordance with the new structure of the medium-term plan for the period 1998-2001 (A/51/6/Rev.1 and Rev.1/Corr.1).

Table 15.15 **Post requirements**

Programme: Prevention and reduction of drug abuse, elimination of illicit crops and suppression of illicit drug trafficking

	Established posts		*Temporary posts*					
	Regular budget		*Regular budget*		*Extrabudgetary resources*		*Total*	
	1996-1997	*1998-1999*	*1996-1997*	*1998-1999*	*1996-1997*	*1998-1999*	*1996-1997*	*1998-1999*
Professional category and above								
D-2	—	—	—	—	3	3	3	3
D-1	—	—	—	—	6	6	6	6
P-5	1	1	—	—	28	28	29	29
P-4/3	6	6	—	—	39	39	45	45
P-2/1	1	1	—	—	23	5	24	6
Total	**8**	**8**	**—**	**—**	**99**	**81**	**107**	**89**
General Service category								
Principal level	1	1	—	—	20	20	21	21
Other levels	6	5	—	—	105	105	111	110
Total	**7**	**6**	**—**	**—**	**125**	**125**	**132**	**131**
Grand total	**15**	**14**	**—**	**—**	**224**	**206**	**239**	**220**

15.42 Within the context of demand reduction, the activities under this subprogramme will focus on the improvement of the quality and comparability of data and information on the national and international levels; wider use of harmonized methods for the collection of data and information on drug abuse; and strengthening the international drug abuse assessment system. To that end, particular emphasis will be placed on improving the methodology of data collection and the analytical capacity with regard to drug abuse data.

15.43 The activities pertaining to the laboratory will focus on the development, preparation and dissemination of standards, guidelines, methodologies and procedures for drug analysis and pharmaceutical control laboratories; continued implementation of the international quality assurance programme, including the international proficiency testing scheme; continuation of the promotion of human resources through training of drug testing scientists; enhancement of the operational capacities of the national/regional drug testing laboratories and law enforcement; and the development of methodologies/standard protocols for the signature analysis of key narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances.

15.44 The activities related to research and information resource management will focus on enhancing the scope and quality of information stored in the reference collection and making available scientific information; automation and streamlining of data collection procedures with Member States enabling electronic and direct transmission from national competent drug control authorities to and from the United Nations International Drug Control Programme; establishment of links with intergovernmental and internationally operating partners in international drug control, thus facilitating the role of the Programme to act as the centre of competence in international drug control; and collaboration with Member States and relevant international and intergovernmental bodies on the development of application of internationally acceptable standards, indicators and terminologies that are prerequisites for information sharing and pooling.

15.45 Activities on supply reduction will aim at improving the quality and comparability of data and information on the national and international levels; developing effective countermeasures and model programmes against drug trafficking tailored to local conditions; and increasing the effectiveness of national action against illicit drug trafficking by enabling Governments to adopt and implement drug control legislation, including the detection and prevention of money-laundering in an effective manner. During the biennium,

the focus will be on law enforcement, data collection and analysis, and the treaty-related aspects of anti-money-laundering activities.

15.46 All activities of the subprogramme will be carried out in close coordination with subprogramme 1.

Activities

15.47 During the biennium the following activities will be undertaken:

(a) *Servicing of intergovernmental/expert bodies (RB/XB)*

(i) Substantive servicing of meetings. Substantive services to regional meetings of heads of national drug law enforcement agencies and subsidiary bodies of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on law enforcement and money-laundering countermeasures, and on trends in illicit trafficking;

(ii) Parliamentary documentation

a. General Assembly. Subject to the agreement of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs in 1997, one report to the General Assembly at its special session in 1998 on the implementation by Member States of countermeasures against money-laundering contained in the 1988 Convention;

b. Commission on Narcotic Drugs. Annual reports on the extent, patterns and trends of drug abuse throughout the world; demand reduction data and analysis for inputs to other reports requested by the Commission; annual reports on the world situation with regard to illicit drug trafficking; and provision of data on illicit traffic for inputs to other reports requested by the Commission and to other reports to regional meetings of heads of national drug law enforcement agencies and subsidiary bodies of the Commission;

(iii) Ad hoc expert groups. One expert group meeting on demand reduction and techniques of assessment of levels of drug abuse; two meetings of the Standing Panel on the International Proficiency Testing Scheme to analyse and evaluate the outcome of the two rounds per year of the international proficiency testing scheme; and one expert group meeting on money-laundering;

(b) *Other substantive activities (RB/XB)*

(i) Promotion of legal instruments including development of related standards. Provision of expertise for standard setting through full establishment of a worldwide international drug abuse system; distribution, collection and analysis of the annual reports questionnaires to be submitted by Governments pursuant to the international drug control treaties; revision of the annual reports questionnaires in consultation with Governments and other interested parties; supplement information provided by Governments with information from other sources such as epidemiology networks, demand reduction forums and independent research; awareness-raising on and promotion of (a) anti-money-laundering provisions contained in the 1988 Convention, including development and implementation of model laws; (b) implementation of the 40 recommendations and the evaluation system of the Financial Action Task Force; and (c) legal instruments such as memoranda of understanding to facilitate international law enforcement cooperation; coordination of bilateral and multilateral law enforcement training activities; and assessment of the success and level of application of proven law enforcement countermeasures;

(ii) Recurrent publications. *Bulletin on Narcotics* (quarterly); and scientific and technical notes (one or two issues per year);

(iii) Non-recurrent publications. One manual on recommended methods for the detection and analyses of amphetamine-like stimulants in seized material (revised and combined); one manual on recommended methods for the detection and analysis of hallucinogenic drugs in seized material and biological specimens (LSD, phencyclidine, mescaline) and methaqualone/mecloqualone; use of alternative matrices for the detection and identification of drugs of abuse (advantages and disadvantages); glossary of technical terms related to seized material, precursors, synthesis/manufacture of illicit drugs, clandestine laboratories, analysis of drugs in seized material and biological specimens; one manual on the botany, chemistry and

other aspects of cannabis; guidelines on sampling of seized material, biological specimens and clandestine laboratories; and one manual on technical assistance;

(iv) Booklets, information kits. Selection and compilation of selected bibliographies and articles on the identification and analysis of controlled drugs, chemicals and precursors (two issues per year); distribution worldwide of United Nations manuals, the *Multilingual Dictionary of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances under International Control*, scientific and technical notes, bibliographies to national drug testing laboratories, law enforcement agencies and health institutions; and an information kit on the botany, chemistry and other aspects of cannabis;

(v) Technical material for outside users. Establishment, maintenance and updating of the International Drug Abuse Assessment System database; establishment and maintenance of the Programme's information databases, including the computerization of relevant publications and documents to serve as an international source for scientific, technical, legal and general information such as maintenance of bibliographic information and reference services for the implementation of various elements of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme; establishment, maintenance and updating of a data bank on cultivation of illicit crops and manufacture and trafficking and seizures of illicit drugs; establishment of a reference centre for law enforcement policies, strategies and countermeasures against illicit trafficking, based in part on information submitted by Member States under their treaty obligations; provision of expertise for the establishment, maintenance and updating of a databank on anti-money-laundering legislation; four (biannual) publications on individual seizure data with analytical reviews of selected trafficking patterns or trafficking regions; assistance to Member States in strengthening national and regional drug information systems and in establishing and maintaining electronic communication links to the Programme for exchange of information required by the conventions;

(c) *International cooperation and inter-agency coordination and liaison (RB/XB)*. Participation in ad hoc expert groups and meetings on trafficking data and law enforcement issues of the International Criminal Police Organization (Interpol) and the World Customs Organization; participation in ad hoc expert groups, meetings on money-laundering issues of the Financial Action Task Force, the Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission, the Commonwealth Secretariat and other organizations active in this field; participation in activities of funds, programmes and agencies of the United Nations system (such as WHO, ILO, UNICEF and UNDP), including in meetings, joint missions and other undertakings such as drug abuse data collection and analysis; participation in meetings of bodies of the Administrative Committee on Coordination (its Subcommittee on Drug Control, Subcommittee on Statistical Activities and Information System Coordination Committee), international and regional bodies (World Customs Organization, Interpol, Council of the European Commission and OAS) and with national administrations for harmonization and coordination of activities aimed at facilitating the generation, exchange, analysis and dissemination of drug-related information; assistance to intergovernmental bodies and/or United Nations representatives/rapporteurs under their established mandates; and scientific advice and services to international organizations/bodies (e.g. WHO) related to drugs and substances under control and/or being reviewed for scheduling, literature search and gathering of data and general ad hoc advice of a scientific nature;

(d) *Technical cooperation and field projects (XB)*. Detailed description of the technical cooperation activities and field projects of the Programme are contained in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 for the Fund of the Programme.

Resource requirements (at current rates)

Posts

15.48 The staffing resource requirements of $2,556,000 would provide for eight Professional and six General Service posts, as shown in table 15.15. The abolition of one General Service post is proposed as a result of improved methods of work. The reduction of $41,400 represents the combined effect of the abolition of this post and the application of the new standardized vacancy rates.

Consultants and experts

15.49 An estimated provision of $166,100 is requested as follows: (a) $94,400 for specialized consultancy services not available in the Secretariat for preparation of material on drug abuse data and for the preparation of working papers for ad hoc expert groups under the programme of work as follows: priority themes on drug abuse data for presentation at the forty-first and forty-second sessions of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs; priority themes on drug abuse data in preparation for the special session of the General Assembly; evaluation of the botany of cannabis, including the fibre varieties, and preparation of the manual on botany, chemistry and other aspects of cannabis; preparation of recommended guidelines on sampling of seized material, biological specimens and clandestine laboratories; review and update of the methods of detection and analysis of synthetic amphetamine-like stimulants in seized material; review and selection of methods for the detection and analysis of hallucinogenic drugs in seized material and biological specimens (LSD, phencyclidine, mescaline) and methaqualone/mecloqualone; use of alternative matrices for the detection and identification of drugs of abuse (advantages and disadvantages); priority themes on law enforcement or money-laundering to be selected by the Commission at its forty-first and forty-second sessions and for presentation at its forty-second and forty-third sessions, respectively; priority themes on treaty-related aspects of money-laundering in preparation for the special session of the General Assembly; and (b) $71,700 for one expert group meeting on demand reduction and techniques of assessments of levels of drug abuse to produce recommendations and a plan of action on improving collection and analysis of drug abuse data in connection with the implementation of the International Drug Abuse Assessment System; and two meetings of the Standing Panel on the International Proficiency Testing Scheme to analyse and evaluate the outcome of the two rounds per year of the international proficiency testing scheme.

Travel

15.50 A provision of $55,400 is requested for travel of staff to attend meetings of (a) the International Clinical Epidemiology Network; (b) the Working Group on Especially Vulnerable Young People of the Joint and Co-sponsored United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS; (c) international meetings related to scientific aspects of the identification and assay of controlled substances; (d) ad hoc meetings in relation to the preparation of the *Bulletin on Narcotics*; (e) meetings and ad hoc working groups on data issues with the World Customs Organization and Interpol; (f) the annual meeting of the secretariat of the Financial Action Task Force; and (g) Administrative Committee on Coordination meetings to coordinate and harmonize United Nations system-wide information system development and statistical activities.

Contractual services

15.51 An estimated amount of $53,200 is requested for external printing of eight publications.

General operating expenses

15.52 A provision of $176,200 is requested, as follows: (a) $46,100 for the maintenance of scientific equipment in the laboratory; (b) $130,100 for the maintenance of data-processing equipment not covered by the United Nations Office at Vienna Administration such as the European article numbering (EAN) barcode licence and the Oracle licence and service contract and the Programme's share of the maintenance and support of the LAN technical infrastructure (including central servers) necessary for the support of central management services such as e-mail, UNIX for IMIS and so on.

Supplies and materials

15.53 Estimated provisions of $153,400 would be required (a) to obtain reference samples for the narcotics laboratory of all the substances that have been placed under control, supplies of chemicals, selected scientific books related to drug analysis and quality assurance, and other expendable material such as glassware; and (b) to purchase non-expendable equipment for the laboratory.

Furniture and equipment

15.54 The amount of $171,400 is requested, as follows: (a) $25,000 to acquire hardware components for end-user personal computers, servers and minicomputers to cope with the rapidly increasing demand for easy and economical access and dissemination of increasing volumes of data and information, including additional scanning devices, one colour printer, two standard laser printers and modems; (b) $46,700 to

purchase new software, replace and upgrade older software such as scanning and optical character recognition software, communication software and cc-mail mobile software; (c) $53,600 to replace office automation hardware including 13 personal computers and two fast printers for bulk reports generated from databases; and (d) $46,100 to purchase non-expendable equipment for the laboratory.

D. Programme support

15.55 Programme support, which is covered under the Fund for the United Nations Drug Control Programme, includes the Programme Support Service, which provides services in the area of finance, personnel and general services, and a share of the Information Resources Management Service. Support services are also provided by the United Nations Office at Vienna, UNIDO, UNDP and the Accounts Division of the Secretariat and are reimbursed under the Fund. The proposed budget outline for the Fund for the biennium 1998-1999 was submitted to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for its review in February 1997 and was approved by the Commission on Narcotic Drugs in April 1997.

Table 15.16 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

Extrabudgetary resources

1994-1995 expenditures	*1996-1997 estimates*	*Object of expenditure*	*1998-1999 estimates*
2 307.2	2 225.4	Posts	2 422.8
164.6	305.4	Other staff costs	158.5
13.1	44.4	Consultants and experts	54.1
85.2	78.6	Travel	97.0
165.3	116.9	Contractual services	119.7
727.9	799.4	General operating expenses	873.3
93.6	92.7	Supplies and materials	94.6
156.4	211.5	Furniture and equipment	215.8
1 398.3	1 734.8	Grants and contributions	1 734.8
5 111.6	**5 609.1**	**Total**	**5 770.6**

Table 15.17 Post requirements

Programme: Programme support

	Established posts		*Temporary posts*					
	Regular budget		*Regular budget*		*Extrabudgetary resources*		*Total*	
	1996-1997	*1998-1999*	*1996-1997*	*1998-1999*	*1996-1997*	*1998-1999*	*1996-1997*	*1998-1999*
Professional category and above								
D-1	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	1
P-5	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	1
P-4/3	—	—	—	—	4	4	4	4
P-2/1	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	1
Total	—	—	—	—	7	7	7	7
General Service category								
Principal level	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	1
Other levels	—	—	—	—	8	8	8	8
Total	—	—	—	—	9	9	9	9
Grand total	—	—	—	—	16	16	16	16